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The Honorable Colleen Kollar-Kotally
U.S. District Court, District of Columbia

c/o Renata B. Hesse
Antitrust Division, U.S. Department of Justice
601 D Street NW, Suite 1200
Washington, D.C. 20530-0001

Re: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Judge Kollar-Kotally:

This letter will inform you of my opposition to the proposed Microsoft settlement.

I understand that Microsoft was found to be in violation of the antitrust laws of the United States by virtue of uncompetitive conduct, particularly in its marketing practices. It is important that the market have viable competitors, including those who would make compatible products. Microsoft's practices have destroyed any semblance of an open market place. The proposed settlement appears to be little more than business as usual. Microsoft has once again won, and the consumer has lost. The proposed settlement does not resolve the problems identified by the trial judge, it has merely postponed their resolution because the agreement fails to prevent future violations and does little to correct past behavior.

I am not advocating that Microsoft should be broken up. I am a shareholder and believe that Microsoft is still a strong company that holds value for investors. However, I believe that Microsoft will succeed in a competitive market place. Breaking up Microsoft would not be in the best interests of investors. By the same token, adoption of the proposed settlement agreement would not be in the best interests of the consumers.

Since the parties have not achieved a reasonable settlement, it is time for the courts to do so. Please reject the proposed settlement and conduct such hearings as may be necessary to

determine what appropriate remedies should be employed.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Suzanne F. Thorup', written in a cursive style.

Suzanne F. Thorup

cc: The Honorable Mark Shurtleff, Utah Attorney General